

CLAIMS:

1. A multimode display device comprising a display area, where said display device is, in a first mode, adapted for displaying display-focused applications on the display area, where said display device is, in a second mode, adapted for displaying audio-specific information on the display area describing audio being played back and where the display device is, in a third mode, adapted for simultaneously displaying independent display-focused applications and audio-specific information on the display area, the device comprises:
 - receiving means adapted for receiving audio data comprising said audio-specific information;
 - processing means adapted for displaying said audio-specific information on said display area.
2. A multimode display device according to claim 1, wherein the device comprises means for playing back said audio.
- 15 3. A multimode display device according to claims 1-2, wherein the device further comprises storage means adapted for storing the audio-specific information; and wherein the processing means is adapted for reading said audio-specific information from said storage means.
- 20 4. A multimode display device according to any of claims 1-3, wherein the device comprises a connector for connecting an external audio source enabling the device to receive said audio data comprising audio-specific information from said audio source via said connector.
- 25 5. A multimode display according to claims 1-4, wherein the display area is an LCD display.

6. A multimode display device according to claim 1-5, wherein the processing means for displaying said audio-specific information on said display area is a scaler comprised in said display device.

5 7. A method for a multimode display device of visually handling audio applications on the display area, where said display device is, in a first mode, adapted for displaying display-focused applications on the display area, where said display device is, in a second mode, adapted for displaying said audio-specific information on the display area and where the display device is, in a third mode, adapted for simultaneously displaying 10 independent display-focused applications and audio-specific information on the display area, the method comprises the steps of:

- receiving audio data comprising said audio-specific information;
- displaying said audio-specific information on said display area.

15 8. A method according to claim 7, wherein the device further comprises storage means adapted for storing the received audio-specific information; and wherein said audio-specific information being displayed on said display area is read from said storage means.

9. A method according to any of claims 7-8, wherein the device comprises a 20 connector for connecting an external audio source and wherein the device receives said audio data comprising audio-specific information from said audio source via said connector.

10. A method according to claims 7-9, wherein the device further comprises a 25 means for receiving input from a user of the display device and wherein the method comprises the step of:

- receiving an input from the user of the display device indicating in which mode the display is to be used;
- displaying said audio-specific information on said display area if said second or third mode is selected.